[Petition of Pascatoways.]

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Iuly 20th 1670/

Came Monatquund Speaker of Piscattoway Unnacawsey Mappassanough Councillors of Piscattoway to Philip Calvert and William Calvert Esq^{rs} deputy Lieutenants of this Province

of Maryland

And said they came to revive the League between the said Pascattoway Indians and the English and first in the name of the Boys, next in the name of the elder Persons that they might eat drink Sleep and play in quiet, the women, in like manner, desire the peace, acknowledging the Lord Proprietary for their Lord and Protector, next the old men desire it that they may sleep by their wives quietly and take their Tobacco: that they had not long presented any thing and that now they came to keep in memory the peace that now they are reduced to a small Number and therefore they cannot present any thing Considerable, Lastly from the miser- P. 3² able Poor they desire that hereafter when their Nation may be reduced to nothing perhaps they may not be Scorned and Chased out of our Protection

To which was answered by the deputy Lieutenants that as they desired to Continue in Amity with us so did we Assure them that we should not break the Articles made & Confirm'd by Act of Assembly between the Lord Proprietary and them and that we do hope they will be mindful and wary to preserve every of the said Articles and that so long we should not scorn or Cast of the meanest of them

Was then moved by the Deputy Lieutenants to have the Indian that stroke Benjamin Price delivered there being a Great doubt that the said Price died of the Blow to which they replied that Price died not of the Blow but was in health twenty days after and that the said Price was swimming and diving in the presence of Mr Chandlers Children at Port Tobacco and came out of the water sick of an Ague and vomited and of the said sickness died whereupon the Deputy Lieutenants desired to speak with the Emperor the last day of October together with his Council at St Marys

To which the Speaker answered the Emperor was at the Sasquehanoughs and that it was not in his Power to promise that he should come but for Clearing the Business desired the

head might be Searched

Whereupon it is Ordered that Iohn Stansley and Iohn Peerce Chyuirgeons do view the head upon monday the Eighth of August and that Monatquund be present and that the Chyuirgeons Certify what their opinions are touching the death of the said Price